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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! I hope all the members and their families had a Merry Christmas. My daughter celebrated her third Christmas and it was a joy to behold with memories I will never forget.

I want to thank Family Chairman Gerry Stamato PGK for taking it upon himself to purchase Christmas gifts for a needy family through St. James Church. The family requested clothes and a few toys and Gerry purchased a \$100 gift card to ShopRite to round out the gifts. Our council spent \$219 on gifts, which Robert Banasiak PGK delivered to Peggy Catalano on 12/15. Also, Brother Jim Matits made a donation, in the name of the Knights of Columbus, of four 2-way radios to the veterans' home in Menlo Park. We also participated in the annual KofC State coat drive on December 20th, giving coats to needy local children. Our council also made its annual donation of a ham and three gallons of wine to the "Little Servant Sisters" convent and the \$25 gift to Fr. Charlie. It is truly better to give than receive!

I also want to thank Brother Joe Geis PGK for beautifully decorating the Christmas tree in the parlor. The tree makes the council feel like a home during the holidays. Thanks also to Brothers Tom Patten and Kevin Uszenski for reinstalling the Right to Life sign just in time for the month of January and the annual March for Life protesting the Roe v. Wade decision.

To start off the New Year on the right foot, on January 17th, Robert Golden PGK and I will be taking at least four candidates to the Warren Council to take their first and second degrees. Then on Friday, January 21, we will hopefully have a large class take their third degree. I have been impressed with the membership response we've been having during the first half of my term and I want to keep it up for the second half. Thanks to all the members who have been trying to get people to join or transfer to our council. Together, we are making sure that our council is in good hands for the foreseeable future.

I am look forward to tackling the second half of my term as the Grand Knight of this great council!

Fraternally,

JOHN C. BROWER

Grand Knight, Council #857

MIDDLESEX COUNCIL No. 857 OFFICERS FOR 2010 – 2011

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

The **Council Compass** is published monthly (except July/August). Any member wishing to submit an article or notice for publication may e-mail it to newsletter editor John Brower, at JCBrower@DBArchPC.com, no later than **10 (ten) days** before the end of the month. All submissions are subject to approval by the Grand Knight.

If you are planning on moving, please notify the council with your new address so you don't miss any issues of the newsletter.

* KNIGHT VISION *

THE SEARCH FOR LIFE

Even before NASA came into existence in 1958, the search for life on this and other planets has intrigued and captivated the imagination of scientists around the world, and still does so today. Just last month on December 2, 2010, NASA scientist Felisa Wolfe Simon presented the latest news on years-long research on the bacteria found in the poisonous bed of Mono Lake in Yosemite National Park. Scientists believe this bacteria exists as a second life form, because these microorganisms uses arsenic for its cell components instead of the phosphorus found in most living cells. A NASA administrator said the finding will make us "have to think more broadly, more diversely, and consider life as we do not know it" as scientists continue to search for life on and off our planet.

Similarly, on December 16, 2010, a White House bioethics commission said that the controversial field of 'synthetic biology' – the manipulation of the DNA of organisms to forge new life forms – poses limited risks and should be allowed to proceed. This followed a flashy announcement last May that the J. Craig Venter Institute had developed the first self-replicating bacteria cell controlled by a "synthetic" genome after 15 years of research. The New York Times reported that Venter (an admitted atheist) called it "a philosophical advance as much as technical advance," suggesting that the synthetic cell raised new questions about the nature of life.

What the NASA scientist and the synthetic biologist discovered was truly miraculous in its scope and implications. It's amazing how much effort and money has poured into this research over the past decades. However, I am even more amazed by the lengths to which 'scientists' and other learned, and supposedly rational, individuals will go to discredit any notion that life in the mother's womb exists prior to being born.

On January 23, 1973, seven Supreme Court justices issued the Roe v. Wade decision, basing their opinion, ironically, on the Fifth Amendment in the Bill of Rights: "No person shall be...deprived of life...without due process of law." Under the pretext that a baby isn't really a living being, a mother can, without any cause, choose to terminate her pregnancy based on an alleged 'right to privacy' clause in the U.S. Constitution. How sad is it that human beings, whom God has blessed with intelligence and interest great enough to search for 'life' in a lakebed or to create synthetic 'life,' can also fail to recognize the obvious, everyday miracle of life He creates in a mother's womb?

Since Roe v. Wade was forced upon this country 37 years ago, abortion has taken the lives of more than 50 million children. And NASA still hasn't found life on other planets. Let's hope that the scientists needed for that research haven't already been aborted. - **JOHN C. BROWER, GRAND KNIGHT**

NOTICE ON MEMBERSHIP DUES

The dues notices for 2011 have been mailed out and you should receive them shortly. Dues for 2011 will remain at **\$30**. When you receive your notice, please submit payment promptly in order for our council to process the payments and issue updated membership cards in a timely manner. If you still have not paid your dues for 2010, please contact Financial Secretary Robert Banasiak, PGK to make arrangements for payment.

NOTICE ON HONORARY MEMBER DUES

Starting in 2011, Honorary Member dues will be reduced from \$10.00, down to **\$9.00 per year**.

ITEM TO BE BROUGHT UP FOR A VOTE

Pajonk Electric, LLC, has examined the fuse panels, an abandoned main power shut-off, and timers, all located behind the bar. He has determined that the following work should be performed in order to get everything behind the bar organized and upgraded to current specifications: (1) consolidate the panels into one panel with proper breakers, (2) eliminate the abandoned electrical main, (3) replace the feed from the main distribution panel, and (4) rewire all timers.

The price to perform the listed work will be \$1,600, plus \$170 for a new circuit breaker for the storeroom panel, plus \$100 (approx.) for the permit. Therefore, the total anticipated cost would be **\$1,870** (+\$200 if conduit from the storeroom panel to the bar panel needs to be replaced). A photocopy of the electricians estimate is posted on the bulletin board (on the door to the bar storeroom) if you wish to review the description of work.

This work is over the \$1,000 limit established in the Columbian Club Constitution and By-Laws and will therefore require approval from the membership. This vote will take place during the Columbian Club portion of the meeting to be held on **Tuesday, January 18, 2011**.

JOHN C. BROWER
Columbian Club President

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
JANUARY 2011**

MR. EDWARD J. EISMONT

He is always willing to help and, as the first President of the Motorcycle Ministry-North, has made our council proud by creating a new motorcycle run to benefit the Eric LeGrand Patriot Saint Foundation (See story on page 4).

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
JANUARY**

1	John J. Hoagland, Sr.	17	John M. Kunak
1	Robert E. Hugelmeyer	17	Tom R. Suchy
3	Paul G. Goetz	19	John R. Keenan, PGK
4	Sean E. McSherry	19	Dennis Valetutto, PGK
5	Russell F. DeStefano	22	Robert J. Minkler, Sr.
5	Martin J. Minkler, Jr.	22	Daniel R. Osborne
6	Robert S. Golden, PGK	22	John P. Reager
9	Michael K. O'Neil	25	Rev. Kevin P. Duggan
10	Leslie J. Mayer	25	Robert T. Yavorsky
10	Frank F. Ramos	26	Stanley A. Kowaleski
12	Edward M. Burda, Jr.	28	Terence J. Napravnik
12	John Golden, PGK	30	Frederick D. Johler
12	Vincent A. Russo	31	Robert M. Christie
13	Saidu Mamman	31	Frank H. Kovacs
15	Joseph J. Zega, Jr.	31	Bernard F. Swoboda

CONGRATULATIONS!

MR. JOSEPH T. GAUL
50-Year Member as of October 25, 2010

MR. KEVIN J. RICH
25-Year Member as of December 5, 2010

**RECENTLY DECEASED
*NONE REPORTED***

If you know of a Brother Knight who has passed away, please contact Grand Knight John Brower at 732-690-6200 ASAP so that we can arrange a wake service for our departed Brother.

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Wayne McCormack (Former State Sec.)
Nicolai Ruck (Matt Lubas' Nephew)
Pat Keenan
The Radzimski Family
Dawn Cruz
Joseph Pollaci's Family
Marge Lucia
Susan Dirla
Vera DeLucas
Murray Family
Pelosi Family
Eric LeGrand (Rutgers Football Player)
All Soldiers Here and Abroad
All Aborted Babies

**OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO
OUT TO THE AFOREMENTIONED
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

If you know a Brother Knight or member of a Knight's family who is sick or in distress, please contact Robert Golden, PGK

If you know of a Brother Knight who has passed away, please contact Grand Knight John Brower

'RINKY DINK' WINNER:

***MR. ROBERT SABO
14 PTS.***

**ATTENDANCE POOL
WINNER:**

MR. MICHAEL CHOMA, JR.
(Not Present)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DEGREE UPDATES

Degrees are offered throughout the Columbian year (except during the summer months). If you are a 1st or 2nd degree member and want to continue your journey to Knighthood, please contact **Robert Golden, PGK** at **RobertGolden@topproducer.com**. Every effort is made to coordinate degrees with members and candidates, please make every effort to keep scheduled appointments.

COLUMBIAN CLUB REPORT

This past month has been very busy for our club. It's been talked about for a long time, but we finally have a removable aluminum ramp for use in the hall as a handicapped ramp. The ramp was \$380 and the cost was split between the Knights of Columbus and the Columbian Club.

Also, we finally had to order dumpsters for our garbage and recycling collection. The blue container will contain all the bottles, plastic, paper, and cardboard and the brown container will be for all garbage. We will be trying to keep the aluminum cans separate so that we can donate them to the Woodbridge Fire Department for the burn unit. All garbage and recycling should be placed in the dumpsters and not piled next to the building. Brother Ed Lenart PGK was able to get a price of \$375/each for the two used dumpsters. The good news is that we are not charged for the collections, as we are a non-profit organization.

As I stated, last month, the electrician has submitted a proposal for the work required to consolidate the old electrical panels and timers behind the bar. A description of the proposal and the date of the vote are shown on Page 2 of this newsletter. Please make sure to attend this meeting if you wish to voice an opinion.

Lastly, I would like to remind the members that if you are the last one to leave the building, please make sure all the doors are locked and all the lights are turned off. Thank you.

Fraternally,

JOHN C. BROWER

Columbian Club President

COLUMBIAN CLUB BAR HOURS

Monday thru Thursday: 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM
Friday: 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM
Sunday: 12 PM to 11:00 PM

ALL GUESTS MUST SIGN IN
(Required by the ABC to maintain our liquor license)

ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

It would be greatly appreciated if everyone coming to the hall for a meeting, or just to watch sports, would bring with them one or two canned goods for a donation to the St. James Food Pantry.

If you forget to bring the canned item, don't forget the collection jug behind the bar!

Your support for the food drive is greatly appreciated by Father Charlie Cicerale and the St. James Food Pantry.

ROBERT SABO, PGK

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

The best way to learn about our products is by arranging a visit with Mr. James Fischetti, our professional agent. Jim can custom design an insurance, retirement, or long-term care program to meet your current needs or plan for the future.

Mr. James Fischetti 1-917-573-9751

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY

The Motorcycle Ministry-Northern Chapter, led by Worthy President Ed Eismont (council #857), is holding a motorcycle run to benefit the Eric LeGrand Patriot Saint Foundation. The ride will take place on **Saturday, May 7, 2011** (Rain or Shine). Rider registration will be from 8:00-10:30am with kickstands up at 11am. The ride will begin in Merrill Park (Iselin, NJ) and end at the Avenel K of C Council located at 109 Morrissey Avenue, Avenel, NJ. There will be live entertainment and food.

Rider fee will be \$25, passenger fee will be \$15, and general admittance will be \$30. Pre-registration for this event will be available at www.EricLeGrandPatriotSaintFoundation.com beginning January 2, 2011.

This event came about after Mr. Eismont met with Eric LeGrand's mother at the event we held at our council on November 20th. During the meeting, Mr. Eismont took it upon himself to offer the services of the Ministry. Please make plans to attend this worthwhile event.

The mission of the Ministry is to increase the visibility of the Knights of Columbus' in the community, expand our charitable works by organizing motorcycle rides and participating in other organizations' rides, and to get our Brother Knights out on their bikes socially. The Ministry follows the Knights of Columbus ideals: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. For more information, or to join this branch of our organization (a motorcycle is **NOT** required to join), please feel free to contact **Mr. Ed Eismont (President)** at EEismont@comcast.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE

The Fourth Degree is the degree of Patriotism. The color corps makes this degree the most visible of our order. If you wish to continue your journey as a Knight of Columbus and join the Fourth Degree, please feel free to contact the current Faithful Navigator **Mr. Michael Choma, DD, FN, PGK** at e-mail Maleman73@comcast.net.

* RIGHT TO LIFE *

The following is an article from the December 2010 newsletter of Life Choice Resource Center (located at 503 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ). The article is titled "Miracles of Main Street":

Life Choices is located on Main Street in Metuchen, NJ – our mission is saving babies' lives. The Women's 'Wellness' Center is located on Main Street in Woodbridge, NJ – their mission is taking babies' lives. While we've certainly been blessed with a lion's share of miracles in Metuchen, a most extraordinary series of events occurred in Woodbridge just a few short weeks ago in October. In the span of about a **half-hour** on an early Friday evening, the lives of **FOUR BABIES** were **SAVED!**

Anyone who has prayed at the Woodbridge clinic or driven by has seen the ever-present living saint who has devoted his life to saving the innocents. Thanks to his constant prayers and witness in front of the (abortion) mill, four more of God's little ones will live to see the light.

The following is the account in his words:

"After me trying to offer help to a couple leaving the killing center before the abortionist got there, they said "No thanks, we're keeping it"...from the father with a tear in his eye: "I want you to know that because of you I changed my mind." From another father one minute later: "I changed her mind, she's in the car, we're leaving now"...From a mother leaving the killing center: "I had bad vibes in there." Previously when she was walking in, I said loudly to her, "There's help available. What's more important than a baby? Only God! No one has to kill their baby."

"I initiated my prayers with requests for the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, my Guardian Angel, and deceased people, Saints, relatives and friends to pray with me if they can at the killing center. I say five rosaries with extra prayers, and then one extra for each confirmed save in thanksgiving to Jesus."

In light of the fact that January 23rd marks the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision, I wanted to relay this story of hope. The dedicated Catholics who put themselves out in front of the abortion mill, day in and day out, and maybe ridiculed by some in the community, but then are successful in saving some babies lives. **"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven!"**

Fraternally,

John C. Brower, GK & RTL Chairman

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER EACH WEEK

Every **Saturday from 9am to 11am**, local Right to Life supporters, including fellow Knights of Columbus, pray the Rosary for an end to abortion at 228 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ. Please come out and show your support!

DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD – CONT'D.

The following information is from the Knights of Columbus Supreme web site. This program features 40 short clips describing the development of an unborn child in the womb, week-by-week, for 40 weeks, starting with conception and ending with the child's birth:

Week 20 – Hair is starting to grow on my head. My heart pumps about six gallons of blood every day. I am 20 weeks old now, and in another 20 weeks I will be born.

Week 21 (about five months) – I'm not as little as I used to be, just a few weeks ago. Now I weigh about half a pound, or more, and I am about 10 to 12 inches long. My umbilical cord carries about 300 quarts of fluid between me and my Mom each day. That's where I get my food from!

Week 22 – My lungs are getting stronger and more developed. My arms and legs are getting bigger and stronger, too, and sometimes my Mom can feel them when I move.

Week 23 – 50 years ago, if I were born at this age, I could not have survived. But today, with modern technology, babies born at this age have a fighting chance (about 50%) at survival.

Week 24 – I'm starting to put on weight faster - I've gained about half a pound in the last few weeks!

* BULLETIN BOARD *

HOLIDAY PIE SALE

Frank Sokloski PGK coordinated another successful holiday pie sale by selling 127 pies and netting **\$515** for the council. The importance of these types of fundraisers to the financial health of our council cannot be overstated. Thanks Frank for all your efforts. Thanks to all the members who helped to sell or purchased pies.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Saturday, November 27th we held our latest blood drive at our council. There were 25 donors & 3 deferrals. Members Jim Matits, Joe Travostino, Bill Mateuszyk, Tom Patten, Bill Dowling, Rich Maciorowski, Kevin Harth, Jim Peterson, Gerry Stamato, and Ed Eismont all rolled-up their sleeves to donate a pint of blood!

Thanks to Grand Knight John Brower who was unable to donate, but brought his wife Nora down to give a pint.

I also want to thank Brother James Matits for helping out with the event.

Remember that this blood drive was coordinated around St. James' annual blood drive, which will be held on February 12, 2011, so that there is no donation conflict between the two events.

Please give blood at the St. James blood drive...it is desperately needed.

Bob Banasiak, PGK (Blood Chairman)

ADVENT BREAKFAST

Bob Banasiak, PGK held our Advent breakfast back on Sunday, December 5th in our council hall. Bob wants to thank the following members for all their help: John Brower, Jim Jones PGK, Jules Sabo, Bob Sabo PGK, Jim Sullivan, and Jim Matits. Bob would also like to thank Ed Lenart PGK for donating French toast and Frank Sokloski PGK for donating the pastries. Thanks also go out to Tom Patten and Jack Keenan for setting up the tables and to Jim Jones PGK for helping in the preparation of the food the night before.

Thanks to head chefs John Hunt & Fran Bobal for running the kitchen.

Special thanks to our new waffle maker Ed McSherry.

Thanks to everyone's efforts, **\$321** in profit was raised – Great Work!

The next breakfast will be the ***Palm Sunday Breakfast*** on Sunday, April 17, 2011.

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Special thanks to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to take photos with the kids and families on December 5th. Thanks to Matt Hill PGK and Robert Sabo PGK for taking and processing the photos in a timely manner. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Thanks to Jim Sullivan for his set design for Santa and Jack Keenan PGK for helping to set up the Christmas tree. Special thanks to Joe Gregus PGK and Allen Minkler for tending bar during the parade.

MANGER LIGHTING AND SOCIAL

Our council held our manger lighting on Tuesday, December 7th. Fr. Charlie and Fr. Peter, along with 30 other attendees made for a fun evening of singing Christmas carols and breaking bread. Thanks to all the members who made the delicious food for the evening and Frank Sokloski PGK for donating the desserts.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Our council celebrated Christmas with our annual social on Saturday, December 11th. There were over thirty people in attendance and all had a good time. Robert Banasiak PGK really enjoyed the Christmas music on TV!

Thanks to all the members who made the delicious food. Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Jim Sullivan presented our latest Past Grand Knight Frank Sokloski with his official gavel plaque.

NEW YEARS EVE SOCIAL

Our council rang in the New Year on Friday, December 31st. A report will be made for the February newsletter. Thanks to Laura Kukoly and Kathy Eismont for spearheading this event. Thanks to all who attended.

K OF C – FREE THROW CONTEST

** Attention Members **

Any member whose son or daughter (ages 10-14) wants to participate in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest should contact Youth Chairman Ed Lenart, PGK.

Council competition starts in January 2011

* BULLETIN BOARD *

'DINNER AND A MOVIE' R.T.L. FUNDRAISER

RTL Chairman, John Brower, hosts his next 'Dinner and a Movie' fundraiser on Saturday, January 22nd. The movie will be '**Letters to God**'.

\$15 per tickets (includes dinner) OR **\$10 per ticket** (movie ONLY).

Dinner includes: Spaghetti, Salad, Coffee/Soda, and Dessert. Cash Bar.

Assorted snacks will be for sale. Doors open at 5:30pm, movie starts at 6:30pm.

Bring any baby or maternity items (diapers, formula, clothes, toys, etc.) for donation to Life Choices.

Contact John Brower for more information. No Reservations Required.

AFC/NFC CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL

Sunday, January 23, 2011

(Final two games for the Monday night pool)

NFL 'SUPER BOWL' SUNDAY

Sunday, February 6, 2011

Come watch the games on the big screen in the council hall and in the bar

Food will be served at 6:00pm...NO CHARGE!

For more information, contact Ed Lenart.

ANNUAL 'RIGHT TO LIFE' MARCH ON WASHINGTON

This year's March on Washington will take place on Monday, January 24th. The **Linden Council** charters a bus and space is limited to a first come, first served basis.

Please let me know if you are interested in taking the trip and we'll try to accommodate your request.

You can also go to the Diocesan website (www.DioMetuchen.org) to see where other buses are leaving from.

ST. JAMES CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

St. James Church will be holding its next blood drive on Saturday, February 12th from 8:00am – 1:30pm.

Anyone who donated at our blood drive on 11/27/10 is eligible to donate at this event.

The next blood drive will be held at our council on **Saturday, April 16, 2011**.

'FAT SATURDAY' SOCIAL

Our Third Annual 'Fat Saturday' will take place on Saturday, March 5th from 7:00pm until ?.

Deputy Grand Knight Jim Sullivan and his wife Rose bring the feeling of a New Orleans Mardi Gras to Woodbridge!

Cover charge is **\$10/person**. Food will be provided. Cash Bar (**Event Pricing will be in effect**) & Drink Specials.

ASH WEDNESDAY FISH DINNER

Begin the holiest season of the Church year with our annual Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner, chaired by Joe Geis PGK, which will be on Wednesday, March 9th from 4:30pm – 7:00pm. Cost is **\$11/adults, \$9/seniors** (55 and older),

\$6/children (12yrs. and under). Take out or eat in. All are invited.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE & SOCIAL

Come down to the club and enjoy the annual **St. Patrick's Day Parade** at the Knight's of Columbus on

Sunday, March 13th. The fun, food, and festivities will begin at NOON and run all day.

Please note that there will be a small charge for the food this year (\$5 for 2 wristbands, \$10 for 5 wristbands) and a Cash Bar (**Event Pricing will be in effect all day**). Look for raffle tickets to be mailed out soon.

COUNCIL #857 - UPCOMING EVENTS

January

4	Social Meeting	8:00 PM
11	Officers' Meeting	8:00 PM
18	Business/Columbian Club Meeting	8:00 PM
22	R.T.L. 'Dinner and a Movie' Fundraiser	5:30 PM
23	NFL Championship Sunday	3:00 PM
24	March for Life (Washington, DC) Bus from Linden	T.B.D.

February

1	Social Meeting	8:00 PM
2	Candle Mass presentation of Jesus in the Temple	
6	Super Bowl XLV	T.B.D.
8	Officers' Meeting	8:00 PM
12	St. James Annual Blood Drive (St. James Church)	8:00-1:30 PM
15	Business/Columbian Club Meeting	8:00 PM

March

1	Social Meeting	8:00 PM
5	'Fat Saturday' Bar Social (Event Pricing)	7:00 PM - ?
8	Officers' Meeting	8:00 PM
9	Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner	4:30-7:00 PM
13	St. Patrick's Day Parade & Social (Event Pricing)	12:00 PM - ?
15	Business/Columbian Club Meeting	8:00 PM
17	St. Patrick's Day	
25	Feast of the Annunciation & Day of the Unborn Child	

April

5	Social Meeting	8:00 PM
12	Officers' Meeting	8:00 PM
16	Blood Drive	8:00-1:30 PM
17	Palm Sunday Breakfast	8:00-12:00 PM
19	Business/Columbian Club Meeting	8:00 PM
22	'Good Friday' Fish Dinner	4:30-7:00 PM
24	Easter Sunday - 'The Lord has Risen! Alleluia!'	
25	PGK Charity Golf Outing	11:00 AM
28-5/1	'Tootsie Roll' Drive (Details to follow)	ALL DAY

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Council #857 is in the process of updating our database. In order to improve communication with the membership regarding upcoming events, degrees ceremonies, and members sick or in distress, etc., we find our mailing list is not as efficient or effective as we would like it to be. Please fill out the questionnaire below so we can update our files and fulfill our promise to keep you as updated as possible. You can mail this form back to the council home: 130 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, or call our membership director **Robert Golden, PGK** at **RobertGolden@TopProducer.com**.

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